

HA-1322

c. 1890

Mrs. Ruff House
119 Alice Anne Street
Bel Air
Private

This is another of John G. Rouse's tenant houses, the twin of #123 with four rooms up and down plus the kitchen addition.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Mrs. Ruff's House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

119 AliceAnne Street

1st

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Bel Air

VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Harford

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Estate of Mrs. Corrine Ruff

STREET & NUMBER

Telephone #: 838-6585

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland

Liber #: 792

Folio #: 108

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION**CONDITION**☐ EXCELLENT☐ GOOD☒ FAIR☐ DETERIORATED☐ RUINS☐ UNEXPOSED**CHECK ONE**☐ UNALTERED☒ ALTERED**CHECK ONE**☒ ORIGINAL SITE☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This small example of workingman's housing is on the south side of AliceAnne Street, at #119, in the Town of Bel Air, Harford County, Maryland.

The house is L-shaped, covered with asphalt shingles, and has a gable roof over the main block and one over the ell at right angles to the first. The roofing material is asphalt shingle. A shed roofed porch supported by plain posts shades the first floor in front, and a single story shed has been added to the back of the ell. The entry is in the center of three bays. The windows are 1/1 double-hung sash except for those in the shed addition which are four pane casement. Two rooms up and down are in the main block; two more, one up and one down, are in the ell.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE		
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES c 1890

BUILDER/ARCHITECT John G. Rouse

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This small house was one of several built between 1888 and 1900 by John G. Rouse. It was rental property until 1919 when it was sold to James Lisby (166/222). The Lisbys defaulted on a mortgage in 1933 and it was sold to Frank Sewell (230/108) in 1934. Mrs. Sewell died in 1956 and left the property to her brother, sister, niece and nephew. The heirs sold it to Mrs. Corrine Ruff in 1957 (792/108). Mrs. Ruff died in 1979.

This house is somewhat larger than many of the tenements on AliceAnne Street. It has no pretensions to style. Examples like it occur everywhere in the state in both town and country.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

This property occupies parcel #795 in the Town of Bel Air,
45' x 100'.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Marilynn Larew, Architectural Historian

27 April 1979

ORGANIZATION

Town of Bel Air

DATE

838-8700

STREET & NUMBER

39 Hickory Avenue

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
21 STATE CIRCLE
SHAW HOUSE
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET
Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER: HA-1322

NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

UTM REFERENCES:
Zone/Easting/Northing

U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:

PRESENT FORMAL NAME:

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:

PRESENT USE: *private residence*

ORIGINAL USE: *same*

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:

Excellent () Good ()
Fair (✓) Poor ()

THEME: *architectural*

STYLE: *vernacular*

DATE BUILT:
c. 1890

COUNTY: *Harford*

TOWN: *Bel Air*

LOCATION: *119 Alice Anne St*

COMMON NAME: *Mrs. Ruff's House*

FUNCTIONAL TYPE: *private residence*

OWNER: *Estate of Corinne B. Ruff*
ADDRESS:

ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:

Yes () No () Restricted (✓)

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Local (✓) State () National ()

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

1. Foundation: Stone () Brick () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
2. Wall Structure
 - A. Wood Frame: Post and Beam () Balloon ()
 - B. Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick () Stone () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
 - C. Iron () D. Steel () E. Other:
3. Wall Covering: Clapboard () Board and Batten () Wood Shingle () Shiplap ()
Novelty () Stucco () Sheet Metal () Aluminum () Asphalt Shingle (✓)
Brick Veneer () Stone Veneer ()
Bonding Pattern: Other:
4. Roof Structure
 - A. Truss: Wood () Iron () Steel () Concrete ()
 - B. Other:
5. Roof Covering: Slate () Wood Shingle () Asphalt Shingle (✓) Sheet Metal ()
Built Up () Rolled () Tile () Other:
6. Engineering Structure:
7. Other:

Appendages: Porches (✓) Towers () Cupolas () Dormers () Chimneys (✓) Sheds () Ells (✓)
Wings () Other:

Roof Style: Gable (✓) Hip () Shed (✓) Flat () Mansard () Gambrel () Jerkinhead ()
Saw Tooth () With Monitor () With Bellcast () With Parapet () With False Front ()
Other:

Number of Stories: *2*

Number of Bays: *3*

Approximate Dimensions: *25' x 35'*
inc. ell

Entrance Location: *Alice Anne*

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:

No Threat (✓) Zoning () Roads ()
Development () Deterioration ()
Alteration () Other:

LOCAL ATTITUDES:

Positive () Negative ()
Mixed () Other:

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

utterly plain house, gable roof, shed porch, plain posts
 2 story, 2 rooms deep, 1 room ell, two stories
 shed one story behind windows 1/2 double hung sash

RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

workingman's housing

REFERENCES:

MAP: (Indicate North In Circle)



Board St

alice anne

119
 17

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

Open Lane() Woodland() Scattered Buildings()
 Moderately Built Up() Densely Built Up()
 Residential() Commercial()
 Agricultural() Industrial()
 Roadside Strip Development()
 Other:

Mr. Law

RECORDED BY:

Town of Bel Air

ORGANIZATION:

27 Apr 79

DATE RECORDED:

119 AliceAnne Street
Corrine Ruff

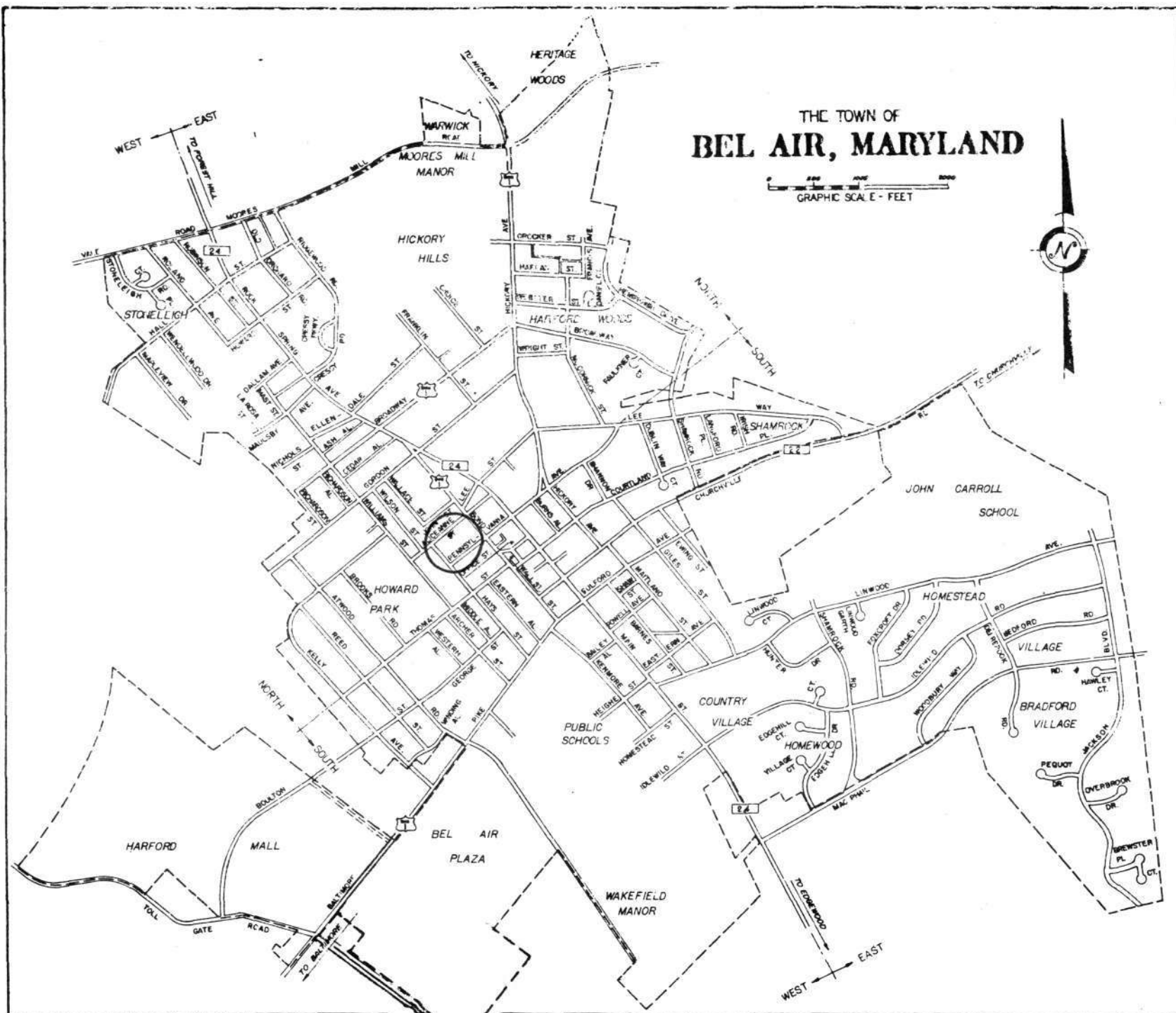
- 792/108 14 October 1957
Louisa Sewell d. 24 September 1956 and left it
to sister, Mary A. Norton, brother, James Edward
Ruff, nephew, John Henry Ruff and niece, Mary E.
Pringle - they sold it to Corrine B. Ruff.
- 230/108 21 March 1934
Charles McNabb, attorney, & J. Woodley Richardson
& Isabel, wife
 to
Frank Sewell & wife
After McNabb sold it at public sale to J. Woodley
after James Lisby & wife defaulted on mortgage
3 April 1933 (226/223) Richardson paid \$740 -
sold it to Sewell
- 166/222 25 November 1919
W. Wylie Hopkins & Annabel, wife
 to
James Lisby
- 134/10 24 April 1911
Hattie B. Rouse & John G. (husband) for \$800
 to
W. Wylie Hopkins
- 132/2 5 October 1910
William G. Rouse & Elizabeth, wife
 to
Hattie B. Rouse
Land improved by 2 dwellings conveyed by
J. Thomas C. Hopkins & wife to John G. Rouse
(60/343) 13 July 1888
except for one to Alfred T. Jones 27 July 1889
(63/450), one to Josephine Lytle 3 February 1892
(73/92), and one to Joseph T. Deckman, 3 August
1909 (127/224)
- Said parcel being the 4th lot in 127/232
6 September 1909 John G. Rouse & wife
 to
William C. Rouse

60/343

13 July 1888
Thomas Hopkins & Amanda, wife
to
John G. Rouse
\$430.87

58/438

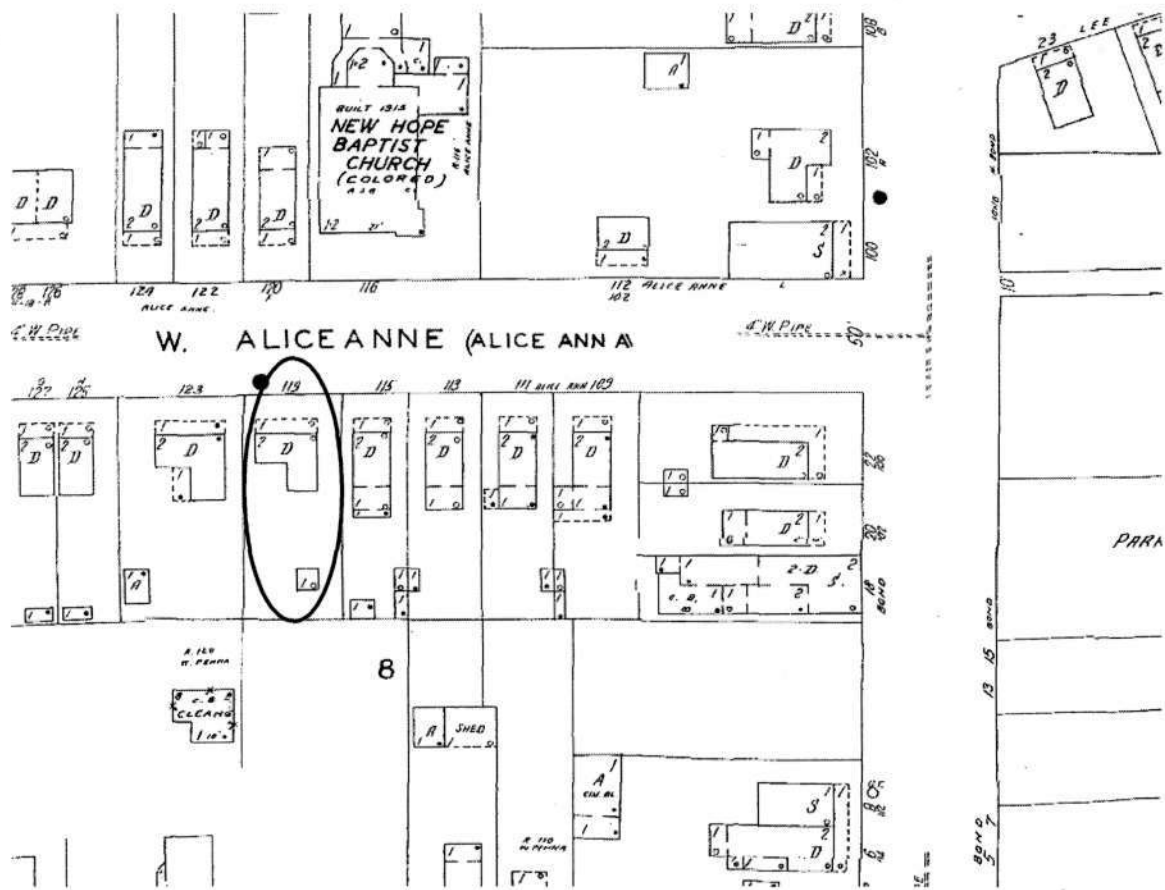
6 May 1887
Hanna estate
to
Thomas Hopkins & Amanda, wife



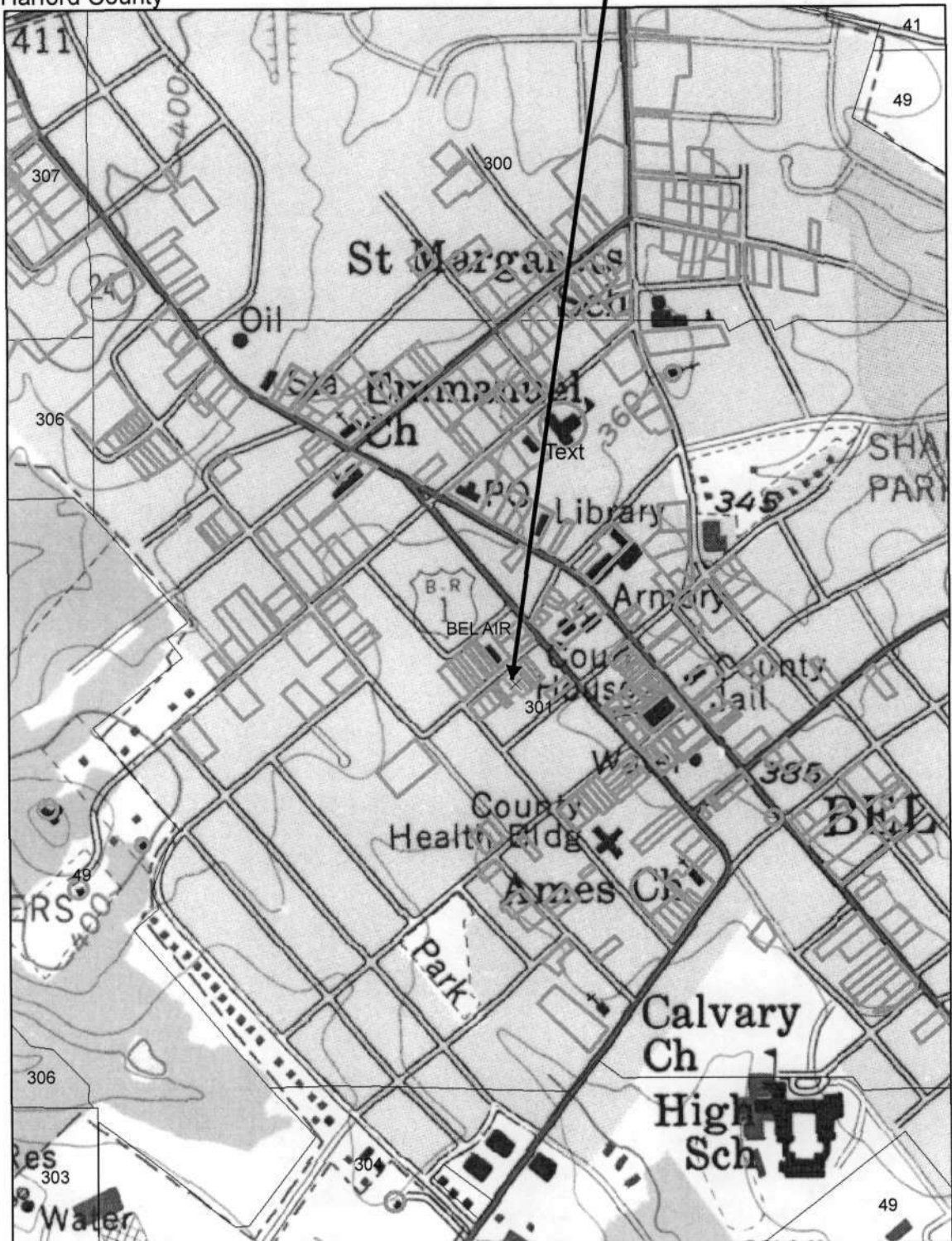
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Mrs. Ruff House, site
119 Alice Anne St.
Bel Air
Sanborn Bel Air Aug. 1930-Sept. 1961
Harford County



HA-1322
Mrs. Ruff House, site
Alice Ann Street
Bel Air
Bel Air Quad
Harford County





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Belair
e. + n. elev.
M. Larew, 1979